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POLO 451. POLAD Agenda. Item III

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If reps raise question of effect of Soviet requests on bilateral civil air transport relations with USSR, Department believes most cogent reply that contained refusal. We consider retaliation argument largely smoke screen without to our knowledge basis in actual past experience. It clearly evident present bilateral air transport relations with USSR based on full reciprocity, granting overflight rights to Soviets for Cuban flights, as in case UK (see London's 227 to Paris), has not yet resulted in reciprocity, e.g., permission for British aircraft overfly USSR to third countries.

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